

Redistricting Talking Points

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Today Democrats need to say:

1. **Come Friday:** 9am Capitol, Room 445
2. **On social networks, declare today “Thank a Democrat Day”**
 - Democrats’ hard work stopped Tuesday’s fiasco, gave Utah two more weeks. Democrats compelled redistricting out from secrecy on behalf of all Utahns. Our win is a win for the people of Utah.
 - We didn’t do this for democrats, to give us ourselves a winnable district, we did this for the people of Utah.

Democrats have five main points to make on Friday

1. **Democrats delivered a win for Utah:** Standing together, the Democrats brought the process out from behind closed doors and gave the public a renewed chance to get involved.
2. **The people of Utah demand every meeting must be open!** Let’s keep the process open! All Democratic meetings, caucuses, and conversations will be open to the public. We invite the Republicans to show the same leadership so we can avoid what happened Tuesday.
3. **Democrats are asking the public to get and stay involved.** The public has two weeks to comment on proposed congressional maps. We need their help to get engaged and demand that we keep communities together.
4. **Acknowledge the problem:** Tuesday was a sham/a fiasco. There have been too many closed door meetings, too many back-room deals, too much dealing in the dark, too much partisanship. The last 6 - 8 weeks we’ve beaten each other up - it’s been messy. Utahns expect more from us and their legislature.
5. **Democrats call for collaboration**
 - Utah expects Democrats and Republicans to work together. It’s time for bipartisanship and collaboration. We can do better!
 - Democrats are extending offer to sit down and work with Republican leadership.
 - Democrats want, and the public wants, a bipartisan solution.
 - Let’s work together in the spirit of openness and camaraderie for Utah